

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—What is it that the Deputy Commissioner expects the Government to consider?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—In the Report there will be several things. If my friend asks for any particular information, I can give him.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—Is it the entire report or any part of it that is under consideration?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—For the present I may state that the matter regarding the validity of the proceedings is now under consideration.

Sri C. S. HULKOTI.—What is the report about the adjournment of the meeting held on the 11th March 1962?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—I have already submitted that the President had to adjourn the meeting abruptly because there was some confusion. Later on, some 18 Councillors remained over and they have transacted the business.

Sri G. VENKATAI GOWDA.—May I know whether the Deputy Commissioner as a supervising authority over this Municipality has no power to take a decision by himself?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—There are so many matters in which the district local authority can take action, but usually they keep the Government informed.

Sri C. S. HULKOTI.—What is the nature of the confusion that took place in the meeting?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಪುಟ್ಟಸ್ವಾಮಿ.—ಮಾರಾ ಮಾರಿಗೆ ಸ್ವಲ್ಪ ಕಡಮೆ ಆಗಿದೆ.

Sri K. P. GADAG.—May I know whether the matter is still under the enquiry of any officer?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—I have already submitted that the matter is being considered by the district local authority.

Sri S. M. KRISHNA.—Was not the confusion due to the fact that the sub-committees were not formed in time?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—It is not for that. The conflict seems to have arisen regarding the correctness of the declaration of results.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಚನ್ನಬ್ಬೇಗೌಡ.—ಡೆಪ್ಯೂಟಿ ಕಮಿಷನರ ರಿಪೋರ್ಟಿನ ಮೇರೆಗೆ ತೀರ್ಮಾನ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಎಷ್ಟು ದಿವಸ ಬೇಕು?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಪುಟ್ಟಸ್ವಾಮಿ.—ನಾವೇನೂ ತೀರ್ಮಾನ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕಾಗಿಲ್ಲ. ನಾವು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದಾಗಿದ್ದರೆ ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ತೀರ್ಮಾನ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡು ತಮಗೆ ತಿಳಿಸುತ್ತಾ ಇದ್ದೆ. ಡಿಸ್ಟ್ರಿಕ್ಟ್ ಲೆವೆರ್ ಅಥವಾ ರಜಿ ಡಿವಿಷನಲ್ ಕಮಿಷನರು, ಅವರು ಏನಾಯಿತು ಎಂದು ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರನ್ನು ಕೇಳಬೇಕು. ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ಏನು ನಮಜಾಯಿಷಿ ಪಡೆಯಬೇಕೋ ಅದನ್ನು ಪಡೆದು ತೀರ್ಮಾನ ಮಾಡಬೇಕು.

Sri G. VENKATAI GOWDA.—If the confusion is due to the declaration of results, could the aggrieved party have not preferred an appeal provided for under the law to the appropriate authority?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—There is no regular appeal provided for this. These things are done by passing a resolution. That resolution is being attacked.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಚನ್ನಬ್ಬೇಗೌಡ.—ಗಲಾಟೆ ನಡೆದು 6 ತಿಂಗಳು ಆಗಿದೆ. ಡೆಪ್ಯೂಟಿ ಕಮಿಷನರು ನರಾ ರಕ್ಕೆ ವರದಿಯನ್ನು ಕಳುಹಿಸಿದ್ದಾರೆ; ಅದು ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ಯಲ್ಲದೆ ಎಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೀರಿ. ಎಷ್ಟು ದಿವಸ ಬೇಕು ಫೈನಲ್‌ನೇ ಆಗುವುದಕ್ಕೆ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಪುಟ್ಟಸ್ವಾಮಿ.—ಅದು ಶೀಘ್ರದಲ್ಲೇ ಆಗುತ್ತದೆ.

Steps taken to prevent the discharge of poisonous waste water from the West Coast Paper Mills, Dandeli.

*Q.—190. **Sri B. P. KADAM (Karwar).**—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether it is a fact that poisonous waste water in huge quantity is discharged from the West Coast Mills, Dandeli;

(b) whether it is a fact that this poisonous water emits obnoxious smell which is highly injurious to public health in Dandeli and surrounding villages;

(c) whether it is a fact that the villagers from Donshivagur, Kegdal Bomnalli, Tatwal, etc., are rendered helpless on account of the river water being unfit for human or cattle consumption;

(d) whether it is a fact that there has been a constant public protest against the obnoxious and injurious smells discharged from the poisonous

water and demanded of the authorities to take immediate steps to stop the discharge in the present form ;

(e) if so, what steps have been taken to stop the discharge of water in the present form ?

A.—Sri K. PUTTASWAMY (Minister for Municipal Administration).—

(a) Chemical waste matter is discharged in considerable quantities and it contains constituents which are likely to be injurious to human life.

(b) The effluent discharged from the factory emits obnoxious smell which in the long run has cumulative effect on the health of the people residing in the area.

(c) It is reported that inconvenience has been caused to a considerable extent to the villagers.

(d) Some complaints have been received from the villagers protesting against the obnoxious smell of the effluent.

(e) Government have directed the Paper Mills Authorities under their No. LLH 105 PMS 59, dated 4th May 1959 not to allow the effluent without treatment into the Kali River. The Deputy Commissioner, North Kanara, has also issued a notice to the Mills Authorities on 3rd July 1962 to construct the sedimentation tank within 4 months. It is expected that the treatment plant would be erected by the Mills shortly.

Sri B. P. KADAM.—What is the approximate quantity of water discharged each year ?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—That is rather very high mathematics.

Sri B. P. KADAM.—May I know when the factory started production ?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—The factory started production in 1958, according to my information.

Sri B. P. KADAM.—May I know whether waste water is being discharged by the factory since its inception ?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—Yes, Sir.

Sri B. P. KADAM.—Is it not a fact that the villagers concerned complained to the concerned authorities and to the Government as to the evil effects of this water right from the beginning ?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—This is a matter in which the Government is also evincing a lot of concern. In fact, the Government have been reminding the authorities of the industrial concern since February 1959 and we have now given almost an ultimatum. Some health officers went there and after inspection reported to the Government and the mills on the need for preventing this waste water being let out. Notice was issued to the mills to construct a tank within four months as directed by Government in their order dated 27-5-62. To set at rest further supplementaries, I have information from the Special Officer, Notified Area, Dandelli, in his telegram dated 6-7-1962. He has intimated that the sedimentation tank work taken by the mill is found to be progressing. They have made a beginning and before long, I am sure, the mill would probably be able to redress this grievance.

Sri G. VENKATAI GOWDA.—Government directed the Mill in 1959 not to allow the effluent water to go into the places where people lived. May I know what steps the Mill authorities took to implement the direction of the Government ?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—There were certain technical difficulties. They wanted to consult the experts and also our Director of Public Health. Now all questions have been settled and the work has been taken up.

Sri B. P. KADAM.—May I know whether the plan is lying idle since 1959 and whether it goes into operation only when Ministers or big dignitaries visit the area ?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—I think it is a statement with which I cannot agree without ascertaining its veracity.

Sri V. M. DEO.—In view of the fact that the Mill has been working since three years and that the effluent water has caused incalculable injury to the health of animals and human beings is the Government contemplating any punitive action in regard to that ? Should not the Mill have taken preventive measures even at the time of construction of the factory ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಪುಟ್ಟಸ್ವಾಮಿ.—ಸ್ವಾಮಿ, punitive action ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದು ಸುಲಭ. ಆದರೆ, ಯಾವಾಗಲೂ ಇಂಥ ಉದ್ಯಮಗಳು ಪಾರಂಭವಾದ ಕಾಲದಲ್ಲೆ ಸ್ವಲ್ಪ ತೊಂದರೆಯಿರುತ್ತದೆ, ನಾವು ಸ್ವಲ್ಪ ಸುಧಾರಿಸಿಕೊಂಡು, ನಮಗೆ ಬೇಕಾದ ಸೌಲಭ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಮಾಡಿಕೊಂಡು, ಕೈಗಾರಿಕೆ ಉರ್ಜಿತವಾಗುವ ಹಾಗೆ ಮಾಡುವುದು ನಮ್ಮ ಕರ್ತವ್ಯ.

Sri M. C. BASAPPA.—Did the Government contemplate any temporary measures to avoid this danger?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—No temporary measures were contemplated.

Sri M. Y. GHORPADE.—Did not this factory take permission from the Government before allowing this effluent water into the river? Is it not necessary according to the rules that any factory must have to take the permission of the Government?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—I am sure that they must have taken permission.

Sri M. Y. GHORPADE.—I want a definite answer. I want to know whether permission was not required and whether such permission was asked for and granted.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—Notice, Sir.

Sri K. LAKKAPPA.—Is there any report sent by the Health Officers in this connection?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—There are a number of reports. Government is seized of the matter and they have impressed on this Mill the necessity to provide sedimentation tank to discharge the effluent water.

Sri B. P. KADAM.—Is it not a fact that this poisonous chemical water goes through certain parts of the Games Sanctuary?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—I have no information.

Sri B. P. KADAM.—Is it not a fact that many people have complained that the cattle which consumed the water had abortions as also the wild animals?

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—I have already admitted that the water is injurious to health and Government is not prepared to allow this state of affairs to continue.

Sri M. C. BASAPPA.—With reference to the Minister's answer about temporary measures being taken, may I take it that the Government failed in its duty?

(No answer)

Mr. SPEAKER.—Next question, Question No. 207.

Construction of a New Primary School Building at Margonahalli in Kolala Hobli, Koratagere Taluk.

*Q.—207. Sri K. LAKKAPPA (Hebbur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether it is a fact that an estimate for Rs. 4,200 was prepared by Public Works Department of construction of a new Primary School building at Margonahalli in Kolala Hobli, Koratagere Taluk, and forwarded to the District Educational Officer for his countersignature;

(b) whether it is not a fact that the existing school building is in a dilapidated condition and is almost in a collapsible stage;

(c) if so, whether they will examine the matter and accord sanction and take up the construction work at an early date?

A.—Sri S. R. KANTHI (Minister for Education).—

(a) Yes.

(b) The building is not in a dilapidated condition.

(c) As per Section 130 (2) of the Mysore Village Panchayat and Taluk Board Act, 1959, construction, repair and maintenance of Government Primary School buildings is one of the obligatory functions of the Taluk Boards. Hence the Taluk Board, Koratagere, will have to take up the work.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಲಕ್ಕಪ್ಪ.—ಸ್ವಾಮಿ, ಈ ಕಟ್ಟಡದ ಅಂದಾಜು ಆದದ್ದು ಯಾವಾಗ?

† ಶ್ರೀ ಎನ್. ಆರ್. ಕಂಠಿ.—೨೧-೧೨-೧೯೬೦ರಲ್ಲಿ ಕೌಂಟ್ರೋಲಿಂಗ್‌ನೋಡರ್‌ಗೆ ಬಂದಿದೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಲಕ್ಕಪ್ಪ.—ಹಾಗಿದ್ದರೆ ಇದುವರೆಗೂ ಅದನ್ನು ಕಟ್ಟಲು ಏಕೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮವನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದು ಕೊಳ್ಳಲಿಲ್ಲ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎನ್. ಆರ್. ಕಂಠಿ.—ಅದು ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಕಡೆ ಇಲ್ಲ, ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು ಬೋರ್ಡಿನ ಕೆಲಸ, ಅವರಿಂದ proposal ಬಂದರೆ ಸರ್ಕಾರ ಕ್ರಮ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತಾರೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಲಕ್ಕಪ್ಪ.—ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು ಬೋರ್ಡಿಗೆ ವಹಿಸಿ ಕೊಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಮುಂಚೆ ಒಂದು ವರ್ಷವಿತ್ತು. ಆ ಕಾಲದಲ್ಲಿ ಏಕೆ ಮಾಡಲಿಲ್ಲ?